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HRD Ministry to pay interest on loan of IIT students

NEW DELHI, DHNS: The Human Resource Development (HRD) Ministry will bear the burden of paying interest on education loans of the fresh batch of students joining the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs).

The decision was taken after a steep hike was effected recently in the tuition fee of the elite engineering colleges from this academic session.

The IIT Council recently approved a proposal to increase the tuition fee from Rs 90,000 to Rs 2 lakh per annum for various undergraduate and five-year integrated programmes offered by the 22 premier technical institutes.

The council also announced interest free loans under the Vidya Laxmi scheme who do not fall within certain categories marked for giving a complete or partial waiver in tuition fee. Several students were facing difficulty in getting loans as banks told them that there was no interest free loan scheme available for them.

"We have decided to provide interest subvention on the education loans for all students admitted for undergraduate and the five-year integrated degree programmes," Javadekar said. The interest subvention facility, however, will be provided to students with certain riders.

KV in Sonia's constituency

Union Human Resource Development (HRD) Minister Prakash Javadekar on Thursday approved setting up of a new Kendriya Vidyalaya (KV) in Congress president Sonia Gandhi's parliamentary constituency, Rae Bareilly, in Uttar Pradesh, *DHNS* reports from New Delhi.

"A new Kendriya Vidyalaya, will be set up in Rae Bareilly. I have approved the proposal," the Union minister announced.

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आईआईटी संस्थानों का ब्रांड वैल्यू बनाने के लिए बनेगा रोड मैप

नई दिल्ली। देश के सभी आईआईटी संस्थानों का ब्रांड वैल्यू बनाने के लिए एक रोड मैप तैयार किया जाएगा और प्रतिभाशाली शिक्षकों तथा शोधार्थियों के लिए नियमों में ढील दी जाएगी। यह फैसला गत दिनों आईआईटी डी, काठमांडू की बैठक में लिया गया, जिसकी अध्यक्षता मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री प्रकाश जावडेकर ने की। बैठक में यह भी फैसला किया गया कि वार्षिक प्रोफेसर पार्नेरशिप के आधार पर स्थापित होने वाले ट्रिपल आईटी के लिए अलग विधेयक आएगा। इसके अलावा पीपीपी डालों को इस तरह परिचित किया जाएगा कि वे भी वार्षिक बन सकें। काठमांडू में ग्यारह दिनों में आईआईटी का एक वार्षिक विधेयक तैयार करने का भी फैसला किया। पीपीपी मॉडल पर आधारित ट्रिपल आईटी समझ विश्विद्यालय को लिए आवेदन कर सकेंगे। बैठक में विदेशी डालों को संख्या 15 प्रतिशत करने का भी निर्णय किया जाएगा। जावडेकर ने बैठक में कहा कि तत्कालीन प्रधानमंत्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी के कार्यकाल में निर्मित इन ट्रिपल आईटी ने देश को आईटी क्षेत्र में भव्यता बनाने में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाई है, लेकिन गूगल फंडेड और टिक्टक जैसे तरह लोकप्रिय नहीं हो पाया। उन्होंने कहा कि अपने तीन से पांच वर्ष के भीतर इन सभी ट्रिपल आईटी का ब्रांड वैल्यू बढ़ाया जाएगा। उन्होंने सभी ट्रिपल आईटी को आपस में मिलजुलकर काम करने की अपील की।

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Telugus land in IIT Madras, though first choice is Bombay

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HYDERABAD: Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay is the first choice for Telugus, but IIT Madras is where a majority of them land up, followed by IIT Kharagpur.

Data on allotments to IITs and NITs this year reveal that 1,186 candidates from Andhra Pradesh and Telangana gave their first preference as IIT Bombay but only 100 could finally get into it. The Institute has a sought-after computer science engineering course.

Among the 5,131 candidates from the two Telugu states who got a seat securing ranks, 303 got into IIT Madras, 253 into IIT Kharagpur and 148 into IIT Hyderabad.

Other IITs where a big number of Telugus were admitted are IIT Bhubaneswar (110), IIT Bombay (100), IIT Guwahati (99), ISM Dhanbad (97), BHU Varanasi (77), IIT Roorkee (67), IIT Tirupati (64) and IIT Delhi (53),

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according to K.V. Krishna, Organising Chairman of JEE Advanced and a professor of Mathematics in IIT Guwahati.

In fact, IIT Bombay, Madras and Kharagpur have also been the top choices of the rankers from the Telugu-speaking States, figuring in the top 1000 ranks of JEE. From AP and TS, 29 students got into CSE in IIT Bombay, 22 into CSE at IIT Madras, 18 into Electronics and Electrical Engineering (EEE) of IIT Kharagpur, 17 into CSE of IIT Kharagpur, 16 into Electrical Engineering in IIT Madras, 13 into CSE of IIT Delhi, 10 into Computer Science and Engineering, the five-year dual degree course of IIT Kharagpur, 9 into CSE

course in IIT Hyderabad, 8 each into IIT Guwahati and IIT Madras for CSE and Mechanical Engineering courses respectively.

IIT Chittoor in Andhra Pradesh could attract only 9 Telugu students and it was not a major surprise given that it is a new institution and students didn't want to take chances and opted for prominent Institutes. On the other hand, IIT Hyderabad, considered the best among the new IITs, attracts many Telugu students. This year the third highest number of Telugu candidates will be here.

The institution is shifting to new premises in Kandi, on the city's outskirts. IIT Hyderabad Director U.B. Desai says top students in general are choosing IIT Hyderabad and not just Telugu students.

Among NITs the first choice was NIT Warangal (292 students) followed by NIT Calicut (137) and NIT Tiruchirapalli (123).

IIT-Kanpur not to host 4-day celebrations

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/kanpur/IIT-Kanpur-not-to-host-4-day-celebrations/articleshow/53219114.cms>

Kanpur: The four-day programme to observe the first anniversary of Skill India will not be held at IIT-Kanpur. The programme, which was to be held between July 12 and 15, stands cancelled.

This was confirmed by IIT-K deputy director Prof Ajit Chaturvedi. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit on July 15 already stands cancelled.

Speculations were rife that the first anniversary of Skill India would not be held at IIT-K even though last month Union minister Rajiv Pratap Rudy had come to inspect and finalise the venue. An exhibition in which companies from India and abroad were to be take part, also stands cancelled.

New panel should look into education policy: Forum

<http://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/chennai/new-panel-should-look-into-education-policy-forum/article8851959.ece?css=print>

The State Platform for the Common School System suggested to the Centre the formation of a new committee to formulate the draft national education policy (NEP) at their national convention on 'evolving national education policy' on Thursday.

The Tamil translation of the 'policy initiatives' document of the Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD) was released at the convention. It has been done by P. Ratnasabapathy, president of the State Platform.

"We are surprised as to why the MHRD has not released the policy documents for the NEP in any Indian language to ensure that people are able to access it and give their feedback," said Prince Gajendrababu, general secretary of the forum.

"We have rejected the policy initiatives based on a host of factors that include how the document does not focus on making education accessible for everyone and, instead, speaks about provision of alternative education that is not a good solution. The draft policy also speaks of foreign investments in education, which is worrying," he said.

Stating that the policy would have a neo-liberal assault on education, Mr. Ratnasabapathy also said that State languages would be relegated to the background and there would be Sanskritisation if the policy measures of the NEP were implemented.

During the convention, educationists and academicians discussed the 'inputs to the draft education policy,' which was recently released by the MHRD on their website. The forum said that as asked by the Ministry, they would be sending in their feedback and changes they wanted in the draft policy.

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